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	Copy of U.S. Serial No. 09/611,783; filed July 7, 2000; entitled: "Systems and Methods for Implementing a Quantum-Cryptographic Communications Network," 42 pages.						
	Copy of co-pending application (Attorney Docket No. 03-4018) filed on ; entitled "Systems and Methods for Quantum Cryptographic Key Transport" 68 pages.						
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